REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-10, 13, 16 and 19 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Pei (US2002/0193551)in view of Nukada et al (US 5,604,064).

There are three independent claims in this application, 1, 5 and 6. Each of these claims sets forth the structure:

$$Ar_{2}-N$$

$$Ar_{4}$$

$$N-Ar_{3}$$

$$Ar-X$$

The Examiner has taken the position that this structure is substantially shown in Pei. Applicants traverse this position for the following reasons. Pei does show the structure shown in paragraphs 0021 and 0081. Neither of these structures show the second amino structure:

$$Ar_2$$
— N

The Examiner cites paragraph 0047 where an extensive laundry list of possible substituents are set forth. Out of this extended list one of them is amino. The substituents referred to here are any substituents.

Turning first to the structure VIII shown in paragraph 0021 of Pei, the general formula does not have two amino groups as set forth the claims of the present application. In the definition of Q1 and Q2 no where is there any mention or suggestion of an amino group. The examples for Q1 and Q2 are set forth in paragraphs 0018 and 0020. A specific moiety is shown in paragraph 0081 structure Va.

There is no way from the disclosure of Pei that anyone skilled in the art would have any suggestion to try an amino group as set forth in the independent claims in this application when specific examples are given for a particular structure. If there was any suggestion or teaching then the very specific moieties would include an amino group. For example, in paragraph 0075 in considering structure III there is no teaching or suggestion that Ar4 or Ar5 are substituted with an amino group. In fact in paragraph 0077 its preferable that they are not substituted but if they are substituted there is a list of preferred substituents that does not include an amino group. In general the same arguments

apply to structure V in paragraph 0080. Clearly, Pei teaches away from using an amino group in the particular location as shown in the claimed structure. A laundry list does not provide any suggestion to one skilled in the art when the specific structure teach away from using an amino group.

The Examiner states "Nukada teaches it is well known in the art that amino groups for electroluminescent device compounds may include specifically diphenylamino groups...." However, Nukada does not provide any suggestion to provide the structure set forth in claims 1, 5 and 6, when Pei specifically teaches against using two amino groups in the presently claimed structure. The structures in Nukada is different than the structure set forth in Pei or the present invention. Applicants fail to find any motivation for this combination other than by hindsight.

If there are any problems with this response, Applicants' attorney would appreciate a telephone call.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed none of the references, taken singly or in combination, disclose the claimed invention set forth in claims 1, 5 and 6. The dependent claims should be allowed along with their base claim. Accordingly, this application is believed to be in condition for allowance, the notice of which is respectfully requested.

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